REQUEST

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, Provides for continued examination of a utility or plant

Application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant

may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 153 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865

(March 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	Subm	ubmission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114		
	a.		Previously submitted	
		i	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed	
			on(any unentered amendment(s)	
			on(any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).	
V		ii	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed	
			filed on	
		iii	Other	
	b.	XXXXX	Enclosed	
		i. XXXX	X Amendment/Reply with transmittal	
		ii	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	
		iii	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and PTO-1449	
		iv	Other	
2.	Misce	ellaneous		
	a.		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37	
			C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of	
			suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)	
	b.		Other	
3.	Fees	ees The RCE fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.		
	<u>a.</u>	XXXXX	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$470.00 (\$405.00 for	
			RCE fee; \$65.00 for one-month extension of time – small entity) and any	
			deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 01-0467.	
		i. XXXX	X RCE fee (\$405.00) required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)	
		ii. XXXX	X Extension of Time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	
		iii.	Other	
	b.		Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	

April 30, 2010 Date of Signature

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